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2. Airfield of Gotse Delchev (Nevrokop)

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1. On a hill about 700 meters southwest of Koprivlen the following fortifications were constructed by Trudovaks from the end of January 1951 until 4 April 1951:
 - a. On the east side of the hill three trenches were dug. The trenches were about 10 meters apart.
 - b. On the north and south sides two trenches, about 10 meters apart, were dug.
 - c. On the west side only one trench was dug. The trenches were 1.6 meters deep, 1 meter wide at the bottom, and 1.2 meters wide at the top.
2. three machine gun posts, covered by tree trunks, on the hill. One of the posts was on the southeast side of the hill, directed toward Gaytaninovo. The second was on the east side of the hill, and the third was on the northeast side of the hill.
3. Another trench was dug from the hill near Koprivlen to a cemetery about two kilometers northeast of the hill.
4. The airfield at Gotse Delchev (Nevrokop) has an area of 2,400 stremmata.1 At the end of 1950 a group of laborers used tractors and rollers to improve the field's surface. In September and October 1950 a two-story building was built to house the military personnel at the airfield.
1. Comment: A stremmata is equivalent to 0.2471 acre.

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